Worship Details

Presentation of Jesus in the Temple

St. Peter's Church

8 & 9.30 am - Holy Communion Service



Readings

Malachi 3: 1-5 Hebrews 2: 14-18 Luke 2: 22-40

Sentence

Blessed are those whose strength is in you: who have set their hearts on pilgrimage. (Psalm 84.6)

Collect

Creating God, you separated light from dark and saw that it was good:

may we so follow Christ, the world's true light,

Sermons are on the web

that we may forever banish the works of darkness:

This we pray in his name. Amen

Prayer Focus - Please Pray

- * Giving thanks for Petersgate and the work being done there
- * For those known to us who are sick or having an operation Craig Anthony, Ashley Legat, June Woods, Keith Spragg, Phyllis Hay, Estelle Laugesen, Takeshi Hasegawa, June Flint, Sunita Rai, Colleen Scanlon,
- * For support for all fundraising towards the restoration of St. Peter's Church.
- *For all children returning to school this week, and their teachers
- *English Conversation Class their leaders and participants

Morning Fellowship AAW

Our first meeting for 2017 will be on Wednesday 1 February beginning at 10am with Holy Communion. Following morning tea our guest will be our Vicar, Nick Mountfort.

Sunday 5 February is AAW Sunday when both groups will combine at the 9.30 service for a commissioning service.

Barbara Fleming 3428982

Mission Table

Our first mission table for 2017 is for the work of the late Dr Edric Baker at Kailakuri Clinic in Pakistan. Looking forward to your patronage next Sunday. Irene **Spectacle Drop Off**

Wow!!! We have collected 143! Keep them coming. If you have any unwanted spectacles that could be passed on to those more needy there is a drop off bag in the hall for them. They are passed on to the Island folk who will have more use for them than your drawers have.

Many thanks.Leigh.



is available in the porch.

Welcome

To the Anglican Parish of Upper Riccarton-Yaldhurst

St. Peter's & St. Luke's Churches

Sunday 29 January 2017

Candlemas

Nick writes.....

I am often touched by what people send me, but none more so than the following E-mail. You may remember that over the last years Ryan Holley has been on our prayer list.

I am happy to report that Ryan is now 2 years post treatment and his cancer shows no sign of returning. His bone density has recovered from the effects of his treatment and he has grown to six feet and regularly works out on the gym equipment in our garage to build his muscle mass back up. A far cry from when he was seriously ill in hospital and we were facing the possibility of losing him.

Can you please let your parishioners know this and thank them for the important role they played in Ryan's recovery. I am pleased to say that Ryan no longer needs your prayers and that he will forever remember the support and kindness of St Peter's.

Kind regards, Gavin Holley

RESTORATION FUNDRAISING

Good to see our Vicar as the front page pin-up boy on this week's local papers. Work on our fundraising plans has continued over the holidays and a number of events are in the pipeline along with applications being prepared for major funders. We would appeal to all parishioners to spread the word amongst family, friends and acquaintances particularly pointing them to information on our new website www.stpeterschurch.nz where provision for online giving is now operating. With everyone's participation we can make 2017 our big year towards the goal. *David Winfield* (Fundraising Committee Convenor)

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www.facebook.com/stpeterschurchcorner

News in the Parish

Website

A new website has been established - the old one will be active until the end of January. The new one will enable people to donate to the Restoration www.stpeterschurch.nz

Bowden Hall

The Bowden Hall is now available for hire. It is a cosier and smaller hall than the Parish Hall and it has heat pumps to keep you warm. It is \$14 per hour plus GST for meetings and for functions \$100 plus GST. Please phone the office if you would like to hold a function or meeting there.

Garage Sale

February 25th 9.00 am to 12.00 noon.

This will be a "garage sale" with a difference. Because we do not have a lot of the usual things to sell, we are calling for books, clothing and - something new - baking, produce, preserves etc. We may also have tables of other normal garage sale goods - e.g. electrical, and soft toys. We hope you will all get behind this initiative as usual, and we will have a full garage sale in September.

Gwen Guild 3574204

Orchestra

An energetic and keen group of kids meet once a week (during term time) on a Friday from 6 pm - 8 pm in the Parish Hall to learn, practise and play instruments together. They play in church on the 4th Sunday of the month. If you wish to join or know someone who might like to give it a go, please phone the office or speak to the Vicar.

A Team needs YOU

Feeling as though you would like to be part of a fun team that actually achieves a lot for the parish? Why not come along to the A Team working bees that meet 9.00 am to 12.00 noon every Friday. Work may be digging, pruning, raking, fixing or any other of the myriad of jobs associated with a parish that has two churches, two church halls, six houses, over 147 trees, lawns, gardens and orchards. Come and enjoy yourself in fulfilling, stimulating joyful work with like minded people. Male or female - both welcome. *Ring Dennys 357 4204 or just turn up*.

Facebook

Are you viewing our Facebook page? - lots of great photos. As mentioned before, if you don't want your photo or your child's photo to be published, please phone the office. www.facebook.com/StPetersChurchCorner

Gateway Magazine

The closing date for the next issue is 8 March. Please send your articles to Jen or give to Pamela in the office. seokjen@yahoo.com.sg

AGM Reports

Please think about writing your AGM Reports with your groups activities during 2016. Now's the time while it is fresh in your mind.

Lenten Study Booklets

These will be available soon for our Lenten studies which begin on and after Ash Wednesday 1 March. Consider joining a group. Watch this space for more information.

News Beyond the Parish

St. John's Youth, Christchurch

The above group will be holding meetings here in our parish hall - Tuesdays during this year, excluding school holidays - beginning 14 February, 6.30 - 8 pm.

They have two programmes:- Penguins - for 6-8 years

olds. This programmes:- Penguins - for 6-8 years olds. This programme teaches basic first aid while having fun learning to work with others and gaining confidence. Cadets - 8-18 year olds - is where they empower youth members with first aid, health care and leadership skills while having fun and learning along the way.

There are also opportunities for Spirit of Adventure, Duke of Edinburgh, competitions, camps and much more. Contact: 0800STJOHN, 7110 extension 33341

www.youth.stjohn.org.nz

Petersgate Counselling Centre

offers a listening ear and a caring heart to help you find a way through your life issues. Open Mondays to Thursdays 9 am to 8.30 pm; Fridays 9 am to 5 pm. Ph. 343.3391 or email: director@petersgate.org.nz.

University of Otago Distance Learning

Explore faith, yourself and the world. The University of Otago offers many opportunities for the study of Christian Theology both on-campus and with their successful distance study programme. See details on the noticeboard.

This Week's Diary

Monday 30 January

Tuesday 31 January

Morning Prayer - 8.30 am, York Room. Staff Meeting - 9 am, York Room. Maples Service - 11 am.

Wednesday 1 February

Morning Prayer - 8.30 am, York Room. Holy Communion - 10 am, Parish Hall. AAW - 10am Parish Hall

Thursday 2 February

Morning Prayer - 8.30 am, York Room. Choir Practice - 7.30 pm Parish Hall

Friday 3 February

Morning Prayer - 8.30 am

Next Week's Readings:

Psalm 112: 1-9 1 Corinthians 2: 1-12 Matthew 5:13-20



St. Peter's Restoration Appeal

ANOTHER FUN(D) RAIS-ING EVENING

Gather together your teams (up to 6 members) for our first trivia quiz night of 2017.

Friday, 17th February in the Parish Hall commencing 7.30pm.

Entry \$8 a head (\$5 school students) and bring a few dollars more for the multi draw raffle.

BYO refreshments.

To register your team email daven-jo@xtra.co.nz or phone 3228723.